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SUBJJC AMSPEC JAMES FARMER

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1. AMSPEC JAMES FARMER DURING HIS FOUR-WORKING-DAY NAIROB
STAY, PRESENTED ON (AND OFTEN) TWO LECTURES DAILY FOR STANDING
ROOM ONLY STAFF/STUDENT AUDIENCES UNIVERSITY NAIROBI, KENYA SCIENCE
TEACHERS COLLEGE, KENYA POLYTECHNICAAM

WM HE ALSO SPOKE AT AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER BEFORE OVERFLOWING
HYBRID CROWD OF GOK, MINISTRIES, PERMANENT SECRETARIES, MIDDLE
GRADE CIVIL SERVANTS, BUSINSSMEN, EUROPEANS, ASIANS AND
GRASS-ROOTS KENYANS AND HAD THREE PRIME-TIME TV INTERVIEWS VARYING
FROM 20 TO 45 MINUTES.

3. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIODS FOLLOWING ALL PROGRAMS INDICATED
WHAT HAS LONG BEEN KNOWN TO POST - CONSIDERABLE INTEREST, THOUGH
KNOWLEDGE INACCURATE, ON STATUS AND POSITION OF AFRO-AMERICANS
IN US SOCIETY.

4. FARMER'S STRONG ATTACKS AGAINST INNIS FOR HIS RECRUITMENT-
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OF-BLACK MERCENARIES-FOR-ANGOLA ANNOUNCEMENT UNANAMIOUSLY

AND ENTHUSIASTICALLY SUPPORTED BY KENYA MEDIA, PROFESSORS AND STUDENTS.

5. FARMER PERSONABLE, VIGOROUS SPEAKER AND EQUALLY EFFECTIVE IN SMALL AND LARGE GROUP DISCUSSIONS. HAS COMMANDING PRESENCE. ALL AUDIENCES GAVE HIM HIGH MARKS. HIS KNOWLEDGE/ EXPERIENCE/WILLINGNESS DISCUSS WIDE RANGE OF TOPICS ON SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL CONDITIONS OF BLACK AMERICANS IN THE NINETEEN SIXTIES AND SEVENTIES RANK HIM AS OUTSTANDING AMSPEC. HARD-WORKING, FLEXIBLE, CONSCIENTIOUS, A VERY BUSY PROGRAM SCHEDULE BROUGHT NARY A COMPLAINT FROM HIM.

6. POST WOULD WELCOME RETURN VISIT.

7. FOR ACCRA: FARMER'S ETA SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22 AND 18:00 HOURS VIA ET 787. SAYS GHANA PROGRAM ACCEPTABLE IN ENTIRETY. MARSHALL

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